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Applicant herewith submits to the United State	es Designated/Elected Office (DI	E/EO/US) the follow	ring items and other information:		
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 5. □ A copy of the International Application a. □ is transmitted herewith (required) b. □ has been transmitted by the International Application 6. □ A translation of the International Application 	ed only if not transmitted by the ternational Bureau. ion was filed in the United States	Receiving Office (I			
7 ☐ Amendments to the claims of the Intern a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required) b. ☐ have been transmitted by the Internet. c. ☐ have not been made; however, d. ☐ have not been made and will not been made.	red only if not transmitted by the nternational Bureau. the time limit for making such a	e International Burea	au).		
8. A translation of the amendments to the	claims under PCT Article 19 (35	U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).	·		
9. 😿 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).				
10. X A translation of the annexes to the Inter (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	mational Preliminary Examination	on Report under PC7	Γ Article 36		
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12. An assignment for recording. A separate	ate cover sheet in compliance wi	th 37 CFR 3.28 and	3.31 is included.		
13. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.			CATE OF EXPRESS MAILING		
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